PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 925

SENATE BILL NO. 3364

By Beavers, Black, Berke, Burks, Herron, Jackson, Kilby, Kyle, Marrero, Roller, Lowe Finney, Raymond Finney, Haynes

Substituted for: House Bill No. 3943

By Lynn, Hardaway, Maddox, Gresham, Fincher, Coleman, Pitts, Bibb, Curt Cobb, Bone, Hackworth, Harmon

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 5, Part 7, relative to available leave for teachers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-702(a), is amended by deleting the first sentence in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

Any person holding a position which requires a teacher's license shall be granted leave for military service, legislative service, maternity, adoption, recuperation of health or visitation of a spouse, child or parent deployed for military duty out of the country who has been granted rest and recuperation leave and may be granted leave for educational improvements or other sufficient reason without forfeiture of accumulated leave credits, tenure status or other fringe benefits.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-704, is amended by adding the following language to the end of the present language:

Leave to visit a spouse, child or parent deployed for military duty out of the country who has been granted rest and recuperation leave shall be granted for no longer than ten (10) days.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: April 24, 2008

RON RAMSEY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

JIMMY JIAIFEH, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 15th day of May 2008

PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR